GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2086
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Lentils at cheaper price
Siddeshwara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has asked State Governments to make lentils available to consumers particularly the vulnerable sections, through the Public Distribution System at cheaper price and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the Government has also asked State Governments to indicate their requirement of pulses for distribution through the PDS and control the price rise and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) whether the Government has received the requirements from State Governments and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)
(a) & (b) : No Madam.
(c) : Government has allocated around 39,174 MT of pulses consisting of Tur and Urad from the buffer stock to States/UTs at subsidized rates for retailing by them at not more than Rs 120/- per kg to improve availability and stabilize prices. In addition, 9,386 MT of Chana has also been allocated to states at subsidized rate for retailing directly to consumers at reasonable rates. Details are at Annexure.

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